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Introduced by
Representatives Pearce, Groe: Murphy, Senator Johnson

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING CHAPTER 5; RELATING TO
ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Title 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding
3 chapter 5, to read:

4 CHAPTER 5

5 PUBLIC BENEFITS

6 ARTICLE 1. ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS

7 1-501. Eligibility for public benefits; definitions

8 A. A PERSON WHO IS BORN IN THIS STATE ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE
9 OF THIS SECTION AND WHOSE PARENTS ARE ILLEGAL ALIENS AT THE TIME THE PERSON
10 IS BORN IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ANY PUBLIC BENEFIT THAT IS PROVIDED BY
11 THIS STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE.

12 B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

13 1. "ILLEGAL ALIEN" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT A CITIZEN OR NATIONAL
14 OF THE UNITED STATES AND WHO IS UNLAWFULLY PRESENT OR UNLAWFULLY RESIDING IN
15 THE UNITED STATES.

16 2. "PUBLIC BENEFIT" MEANS ANY PUBLIC BENEFIT THAT IS AUTHORIZED BY THE
17 LAWS OF THIS STATE, INCLUDING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS THAT ARE
18 PROVIDED, ISSUED OR APPROPRIATED BY THIS STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
19 THIS STATE:

20 (a) GRANTS, CONTRACTS OR LOANS.

21 (b) PROFESSIONAL LICENSES OR COMMERCIAL LICENSES.

22 (c) EMPLOYMENT.

23 (d) RETIREMENT PAYMENTS OR BENEFITS.

24 (e) PUBLIC ASSISTANCE BENEFITS, INCLUDING WELFARE BENEFITS, FOOD
25 STAMPS OR FOOD ASSISTANCE.

26 (f) HEALTH CARE BENEFITS AND PUBLIC HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE.

27 (g) DISABILITY BENEFITS OR ASSISTANCE.

28 (h) PUBLIC HOUSING OR PUBLIC HOUSING ASSISTANCE.

29 (i) PUBLIC INSTRUCTION IN A KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM OR GRADES ONE THROUGH
30 TWELVE.

31 (j) INSTRUCTION AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.